

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A cleaning apparatus comprising ~~an article~~, a burnishing object positioned over or under ~~the article~~ a disk and extending adjacent a surface of the disk at an angle that is offset from a line passing through the center of the disk, and a device that (a) rotates the burnishing object to change the offset angle of the burnishing object at an offset angle that is variable over an area of the article and (b) translates the burnishing object relative to the ~~article~~ disk to advance a position of a contact of the burnishing object ~~with the article across [[a]]~~ the surface of the article disk,

wherein the device changes the offset angle of the burnishing object and translates the burnishing object while cleaning the disk.

2. (Currently Amended) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the burnishing object is not contacted to the ~~article~~ disk by air directed to the burnishing object.

3. (Canceled).

4. (Original) The cleaning apparatus of claim 3, wherein the offset angle changes as the position of the contact advances from an inner diameter to an outer diameter of the disk.

5. (Currently Amended) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cleaning apparatus removes particles from the surface of the ~~article~~ disk.

6. (Original) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the device simultaneously rotates and translates the burnishing object.

7. (Currently Amended) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the device creates a wiper blade motion of the burnishing object on the surface of the ~~article~~ disk.

8. (Currently Amended) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the device allows the burnishing object to make and break the contact of the burnishing object with the ~~article~~ disk across the surface of the ~~article~~ disk.

9. (Original) The cleaning apparatus of claim 1, wherein the burnishing object is a tape.

10. (Original) The cleanin g apparatus of claim 1, wherein the burnishing object is a pad.

11. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) A method of operating a cleaning apparatus comprising ~~an article~~ a burnishing object positioned over or under ~~the article~~ a disk and extending adjacent a surface of the disk at an angle that is offset from a line passing through the center of the

disk, the method comprising (a) rotating the burnishing object to change the offset angle of the burnishing object at an offset angle that is variable over an area of the article and (b) translating the burnishing object relative to the article disk to advance a position of a contact of the burnishing object with the article across [[a]] the surface of the article disk,

wherein changing the offset angle of the burnishing object and translating the burnishing object occur while cleaning the disk.

12. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the burnishing object is not contacted to the article disk by air directed to the burnishing object.

13. (Canceled).

14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein the offset angle changes as the position of the contact advances from an inner diameter to an outer diameter of the disk.

15. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the cleaning apparatus removes particles from the surface of the article disk.

16. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein the rotating and translating of the burnishing object is done simultaneously.

17. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the burnishing object makes and breaks the contact with the ~~article~~ disk across the surface of the ~~article~~ disk.

18. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein the burnishing object is a tape.

19. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein the burnishing object is a pad.

20. (Currently Amended) A cleaning apparatus comprising ~~an article~~, a burnishing object positioned over or under ~~the article~~ a disk, and means for simultaneously translating and rotating the burnishing object on the ~~article~~ disk while cleaning the disk.